

special sticker law and the committee killed the bill. We killed the bill because we said, we need to have the sticker law operate a couple more years to test for experience. We've got to see if it is a good law or a bad law, if it collects taxes or doesn't collect taxes so we killed the bill. We also decided that we had better modify or moderate some of the worst aspects of the sticker law and the worst aspect of the sticker law is that a fellow can buy the sticker and then still end up having to pay a whole bunch of the gas tax, or the diesel tax in a filling station at the pump.

SPEAKER NICHOL: One minute.

SENATOR V. JOHNSON: So we did that. We said that if a man can demonstrate or a woman can demonstrate that they are paying all the taxes on the diesel that they use in their pickup trucks or their Oldsmobiles or other very large cars then under those circumstances they could get a refund of up to 80 percent, up to 80 percent of the sticker price. Senator Eret brings us an amendment to suggest that the refund can go to 100 percent upon adequate proof. Given his concern about the whole sticker issue and his desire for fairness, I'm not going to oppose that amendment. I think that's probably a reasonable amendment given the fact that we're still in the kind of the experimental stage as to how to properly collect the special fuels tax. So for that reason I rise to tell you that if you support Senator Eret's amendment I will not be offended and, in fact, I'm going to support it.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Senator Haberman, please.

SENATOR HABERMAN: Mr. President and members of the body, I don't want to drag out the debate, but I, too, support Senator Eret's amendment and if we were going to have to debate this I'd have to call to Senator Johnson's attention that diesel sales on automobiles have gone kaput and there are not very many farmers that own Oldsmobiles because their sales have gone down on diesels also, but due to he has agreed to accept the amendment, Mr. President, that's all the debate that I will have. I'll support the amendment.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Senator Schmit, please.

SENATOR SCHMIT: (No response.)